## **CIVIL COVER SHEET**

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(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff  (EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)  (c) Attorney's (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)				County of Residence of First Listed  (IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)  NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE LAND INVOLVED.  Attorneys (If Known)									
							II. BASIS OF JURISD	OICTION (Place an "X"	in One Box Only)		CIZENSHIP OF P Diversity Cases Only)	RINCIPAL PARTIES	Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for De fendant)
☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff	☐ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)		Citizo	en of This State	DEF 1	Principal Place 4 4 4							
☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant	☐ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citize in Item III)	enship of Parties	Citize	en of Another State		d Principal Place ☐ 5 ☐ 5 a Another State							
IV. NATURE OF SUI	, and the second			en or Subject of a reign Country	3 □ 3 Foreign Nation	□ 6 □ 6							
CONTRACT		RTS	FOR	FEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES							
☐ 110 Insurance ☐ 120 Marine ☐ 130 Miller Act ☐ 140 Negotiable Instrument ☐ 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment ☐ 151 Medicare Act ☐ 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excl. Veterans) ☐ 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits	PERSONAL INJURY  310 Airplane 315 Airplane Product Liability 320 Assa ult, Libel & Slander 330 Federal Employers' Liability 340 Marine 345 Marine Product Liability Liability 350 Motor V chicle 370 Other Fraud 371 Truth in Lending 380 Other Personal		-     6   6   6   6   6   6   6   6   6	10 Agriculture 20 Other Food & Drug 25 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 30 Liquor Laws 40 R.R. & Truck 50 Airline Regs. 60 Occupational Safety/Health 90 Other  LABOR	□ 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 □ 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157  PROPERTY RIGHTS □ 820 Copyrights □ 830 Patent □ 840 Trad emark  SOCIAL SECURITY	□ 400 State Reap portionment □ 410 Antitrust □ 430 Banks and Banking □ 450 Commerce/ICC Rates/etc. □ 460 Deportation □ 470 Racke teer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations □ 810 Selective Service □ 850 Securities/Commodities/ Exchange □ 875 Customer C hallenge 12 USC 3410							
☐ 160 Stoc kholders' S uits ☐ 190 Other Contract ☐ 195 Contract P roduct Liability	☐ 355 M otor V ehicle Product Liability ☐ 360 Other Personal Injury	Property Damag.  385 Property Damag Product Liability	e	10 Fair Labor Standards Act '20 Labor/M gmt. Relations	<ul> <li>□ 861 H IA (13 95ff)</li> <li>□ 862 Black Lung (923)</li> <li>□ 863 DIW C/DIW W (405 (g))</li> </ul>	☐ 891 Agricultural Acts ☐ 892 Economic Stabilization Act ☐ 893 Environmental Matters ☐ 894 Energy Allocation Act							
REAL PROPERTY  210 Land Condemnation 220 Force losure 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment 240 Torts to Land 245 Tort P roduct Liability 290 All Other Real Property	CIVIL RIGHTS  441 Voting 442 Employment 443 Housing/ Accommod ations 444 W elfare 440 Other Civil Rights	PRISONER PETITI  510 Motions to Va ca Sentence Habeas Corpus: 530 General 535 De ath Penalty 540 Mandamus & Ot 550 Civil Rights 555 Prison Condition	7   7   7   1   1   1   1   1   1   1	30 Labor/M gmt.Reporting & Disclosure Act 40 Railway Labor Act 90 Other Labor Litigation 91 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act	□ 864 SSID Title XVI □ 865 RSI (405(g))  FEDERAL TAXSUITS □ 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defenda nt) □ 871 IRS —Third Party 26 USC 7609	□ 894 Ellergy Albactain Act □ 895 Freedom of Information Act □ 900 Appeal of Fee Determinatio Under E qual Access to Justice □ 950 C onstitutionality of State Statutes □ 890 Other Statutory Actions							
V. ORIGIN  Transferred from another district (specify)  Original Proceeding State Court Appellate Court  Transferred from another district (specify)  Remanded from Reopened  Transferred from another district (specify)  Appellate Court  Transferred from another district (specify)  District Judge from Magistr (specify)  Litigation  District Judge from Appellate Court													
VI. CAUSE OF ACTI		ute under which you are fi nal statutes unless diversity		e brief statement of cause.									
VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:  □ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23				DEMAND \$ CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:  JURY DEMAND:   Yes  No									
VIII. RELATED CASE(S)  IF ANY  JUDGE				DOCKET NUMBER									
DATE		SIGNATURE OF A	TTORNEY O	F RECORD									
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## INSTRUCTIONS FOR ATTORNEYS COMPLETING CIVIL COVER SHEET FORM JS-44

Authority For Civil Cover Sheet

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- I. (a) Plaintiffs-Defendants. Enter names (last, first, middle initial) of plaintiff and defendant. If the plaintiff or defendant is a government agency, use only the full name or standard abbreviations. If the plaintiff or defendant is an official within a government agency, identify first the agency and then the official, giving both name and title.
- (b.) County of Residence. For each civil case filed, except U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county where the first listed plaintiff resides at the time of filing. In U.S. plaintiff cases, enter the name of the county in which the first listed defendant resides at the time of filing. (NOTE: In land condemnation cases, the county of residence of the "defendant" is the location of the tract of land involved.)
- (c) Attorneys. Enter the firm name, address, telephone number, and attorney of record. If there are several attorneys, list them on an attachment, noting in this section "(see attachment)".
- **II. Jurisdiction**. The basis of jurisdiction is set forth under Rule 8(a), F.R.C.P., which requires that jurisdictions be shown in pleadings. Place an "X" in one of the boxes. If there is more than one basis of jurisdiction, precedence is given in the order shown below.

United States plaintiff. (1) Jurisdiction based on 28 U.S.C. 1345 and 1348. Suits by agencies and officers of the United States, are included here.

United States defendant. (2) When the plaintiff is suing the United States, its officers or agencies, place an "X" in this box.

Federal question. (3) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1331, where jurisdiction arises under the Constitution of the United States, an amendment to the Constitution, an act of Congress or a treaty of the United States. In cases where the U.S. is a party, the U.S. plaintiff or defendant code takes precedence, and box 1 or 2 should be marked.

Diversity of citizenship. (4) This refers to suits under 28 U.S.C. 1332, where parties are citizens of different states. When Box 4 is checked, the citizenship of the different parties must be checked. (See Section III below; federal question actions take precedence over diversity cases.)

- III. Residence (citizenship) of Principal Parties. This section of the JS-44 is to be completed if diversity of citizenship was indicated above. Mark this section for each principal party.
- IV. Nature of Suit. Place an "X" in the appropriate box. If the nature of suit cannot be determined, be sure the cause of action, in Section IV below, is sufficient to enable the deputy clerk or the statistical clerks in the Administrative Office to determine the nature of suit. If the cause fits more than one nature of suit, select the most definitive.
- V. Origin. Place an "X" in one of the seven boxes.

Original Proceedings. (1) Cases which originate in the United States district courts.

Removed from State Court. (2) Proceedings initiated in state courts may be removed to the district courts under Title 28 U.S.C., Section 1441. When the petition for removal is granted, check this box.

Remanded from Appellate Court. (3) Check this box for cases remanded to the district court for further action. Use the date of remand as the filing date.

Reinstated or Reopened. (4) Check this box for cases reinstated or reopened in the district court. Use the reopening date as the filing date.

Transferred from Another District. (5) For cases transferred under Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1404(a) Do not use this for within district transfers or multidistrict litigation transfers.

Multidistrict Litigation. (6) Check this box when a multidistrict case is transferred into the district under authority of Title 28 U.S.C. Section 1407. When this box is checked, do not check (5) above.

Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgment. (7) Check this box for an appeal from a magistrate judge's decision.

- VI. Cause of Action. Report the civil statute directly related to the cause of action and give a brief description of the cause.
- VII. Requested in Complaint. Class Action. Place an "X" in this box if you are filing a class action under Rule 23, F.R.Cv.P.

Demand. In this space enter the dollar amount (in thousands of dollars) being demanded or indicate other demand such as a preliminary injunction.

Jury Demand. Check the appropriate box to indicate whether or not a jury is being demanded.

VIII. Related Cases. This section of the JS-44 is used to reference related pending cases if any. If there are related pending cases, insert the docket numbers and the corresponding judge names for such cases.

Date and Attorney Signature. Date and sign the civil cover sheet.